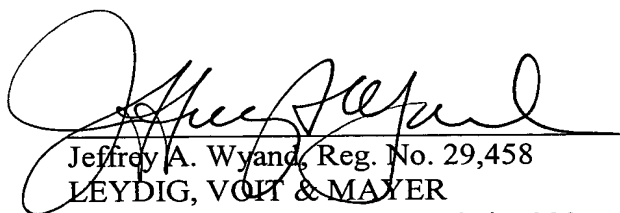


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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed July 22, 2004, Applicants propose to amend their application and request reconsideration in view of this Amendment. It is proposed to cancel claims 1-3 so that only claim 4 remains pending. Claim 4 is allowed. Therefore, this Amendment places the application in form for allowance so that its entry and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

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